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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of:

HUNTER et al.

Serial No.: 10/071,751

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For: "NOVEL ECTOPARASITE SALIVA
PROTEINS AND APPARATUS TO
COLLECT SUCH PROTEINS"

) Group Art Unit: 1652

) Examiner: Steadman, David

) AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

) **EXPRESS MAIL: EL975238717US**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is filed in response to an Office Action having a mailing date of August 22, 2003. This response is believed to be timely and therefore, no fees are enclosed. If fees are due in connection with this response, please debit Deposit Account No. 19-1970. Please amend and reconsider the above-identified application as follows.

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